Previous references.

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Later references.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1-6

Part B. for June 1911.

SUBJECT.

Mutual Exchange of Border trees along the frontier of the Bombay Presidency

From the Excise Comm.r
No. 395 & 15.2.06

States that the existing arrangement with the Chief of Mysore for exchange of toddy trees along the frontier so as to facilitate supply to frontier shops in either territory may with advantage be extended to the Mysore Frontier and the Belgaum Boundary.

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Kapp.

Assistant Resident in Mysore

No. Pol. 855 of 25th April 1906

Requests that the above proposal of the Du
may be forwarded to the Govt of Bombay and
they are in favour of it, needful instru
may be issued to their Abkari Officers s
to those issued by the Govt of [illegible].

From the Same Officer

No. 4588 of 13.8.1906

Intimates that as the frontier of Bom
Presidency runs for a short distance only in
south of the Canara & Dharwar Districts and
understood that there is sufficient [illegible] of ja
on either side of the frontier, Govt of Bom
are of opinion that people on either sid
not at present inconvenienced and the
proposed arrangements will not result i
material benefit to the Durbar or Bombay
Also states that if the Durbar presses the p
Govt of Bombay will be prepared to exam
further.

To The Excise Comm^r

No. Fl. 2018 of 10.9.1906

Forwards copy of Sl 3 and enquires if the matt
be still pressed and if so on what ground

From the Same Officer

No. 3036 of 28.9.1910

Explains that there is necessity for
Bombay Govt to give us about 1500 da
on the Hood Taluk of Dharwar Dist^t for su
eddy to about 28 shops on the frontier
Shikarpur & Sorab Taluks.

The Same Officer

No. Fl. 6244 of 30.6.1911

States that toddy shops on the Mysore Sid
frontier, which have been closed for w
ood supply of toddy may be opened and give
small rental

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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File. No. 137-05

FILE HEADING.

Practical exchange of toddy trees along the ~~[illegible]~~ frontier on the side of the Bombay Presidency

FROM

The Excise Comm.r

No. 295 Dated 15-2-06 Received 17-2-06

Diary No. 3386 | Enclos. 7 | Spare Copies | Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

States that the existing arrangement with the Govt. of Madras to exchange toddy trees along the frontier so as to facilitate supply to frontier shops in either territory may with advantage be extended to the same frontier on the side of Bombay.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

The arrangement which we have entered into with the Govt. of Madras is known as this Toddy Shopkeepers in tracts of the Madras ~~[illegible]~~ the Mysore territory will be allowed to take trees in mysore for the supply/

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of toddy, either the whole or a payment of the whole of the tree-tax in one instalment into the British Treasuries. The rate of tree-tax to be paid in each cases will invariably be the higher rate in force on either side of the frontier, if the rate is not the same in both

Again, the Mysore renters & Sub Keepers, are on principle of reciprocity permitted to apply for trees in British territory on payment of a tree-tax into the Mysore Amildars treasury along with an application in the prescribed form at the foot of which the Amildar will have to certify that the applicant is a person entitled to take out a tree-tapping license in Mysore. The number of trees to be licensed will be calculated at the higher rate of tree-tax in force on either side of the frontier, if the rate is not the same on both sides.

2) Publicity was given to the above arrangement & the necessary procedure was laid down in paras 13 to 17 of Govt. Notifn No: 868/37 of the [illegible] as amended in the Govt. Notifn No: 1-, No: 361 of the 31-1-1899 Vide, page 971 in the St: Gazette of the 3rd August 1899.

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In bringing about the foregoing arrangement with the Govt of madras, the Supdt Govt took the initiative having in view the necessity for the mutual supply of toddy to frontier shops &c

vide Excise Comrs No. 5792/477 of the 28.5.1897. (Sl: 29 in the Sn-7 14-96).

~~xxxx~~. This was accepted by the Govt of Madras on the ground that it would render frontier guarding unnecessary.

vide enclosure to the Resd's letter No. 25280/me 10.6.97 (Sl: 31 in the Sn-7.14-1896).

3. The Excise Comr is satisfied that this arrangement is working very well with the mad Govt: it is in favor of introducing it along the Mysore boundary on the side of the Bombay Presy.

4. He states that when the Excise Committee was in Bangalore, he subtained to the Hon'ble K.I. Lamb, Abkari Commissioner of Bombay, who was also a member of the committee, the

vide letters under reference.

arrangement now in existence with the Madras Govt: It seems that Mr Lamb did not see any difficulty in the way of making a similar arrangement with the Govt of Bombay. The Excise Comr believes that by providing a more adequate supply of toddy to our frontier shops. Particularly in the frontier taluks of the Chamrajnagar; the illicit distillation of arrack will greatly diminish.

5. A perusal of the connected references relative to the existing arrangement with the Govt of Madras (Sls 29. 31. 35. 37 38. 41. 44)

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in the Sneese Tle, No: 16 of 1896, will show

1) that the Durbar have reserved to themselves the right to impose in addition to tree-tax, a rent for the use of trees belonging to them, the same, when imposed, being payable at the same rate by British and Mysore farmers alike also that the arrangements now agreed to will in no means prevent the reservation of trees in any Sheegeed tea in Mysore or in British India. That the mere payt. of tree-tax into a British or Mysore Treasury cannot entitle the applicant to taapum licenses for trees so reserved.

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Letter No. 6788 Sn: 28 of the 16.7.1897 to the first Asstt: Resident (vide IX: 35 in the Sneese Tle No 16 of 1896)

2) That the Govt. of India to whom it was referred for instructions have stipulated that no mutual obligation should be held to exist which would contract in other hands the permanency of the arrangements.

Letter No. 3584 of the 27.8.1897 from the Asst Resident & Vide XXXXXXX in the Sneese Tle No 16 of 1896

) that three months notice should

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"be given to the Madras Govt., when the Durbar wish to terminate the present management in order to ensure them to make sufficient arrangements for guarding the frontier. similar notice will be given to the Durbar. if the Madras Govt. wish to withdraw from the arrangement arrived at.

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Vide. Fin. Deptt.

Resident's letter No: 3)88 of the 13-9-1897

(Ll: 44 in Sr. File 164 of 1896).

11.) that, as the toddy leases in the Mysore State have effect from the 1st July to the 30th June the Madras Govt. will issue

Vide, No. 3289 of the Sr. 121 25-9-1897 to the

I.A. Resident (Ll. 46).

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leases to the Mysore lessees from the 1st July to the 30th June to be

submitted with a draft to the Residency

K.S. 16/8/06. 7.

draft noted to send through the Deputy Secy.

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Draft submitted to the Secretariat through the Commissioner

26-3-1906

16-9/26-3-1906

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9 The arrangement proposed [illegible] to both parties, & the object in view [illegible] mutual accommodation [illegible]

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6. 27.3.06

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Submitted to His Highness

10 The Issue comes under explanation in the case - The draft-letter with pendency may be approved

9.8.11.06 (illegible)

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

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Extension of the present arrangement in force with theGovernment of Madras for the exchange of toddy trees along the frontier so as to facilitate supply to frontier shops in either territory, to the Mysore frontier on Bombay side also.

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Order.

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13/4/06

The proposed reference may be made. But the draft is not a very good one and might be revised with advantage. Para 3. should be omitted, as it is incorrect to refer to informal conversations in an official letter. If it is necessary to refer to the conversation between Mr Lamb and the Excise Commr at all. it should be done by d.o. letter.

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3/4/06

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Memorandum
Issue the order
& return file.
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13/4/06

D.O. P. 13/4/06 sent

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8 Dec.

Submitted with a redraft. to the Residency.

K.S 17/4/06.

20/4/06

Revised draft submitted

20/4/1906.

Reference not done carefully. Whether no telli invite disposal? Draft not referred. Do so & submit now.

29/8 21/4/06

Recd 21/4

2 Do Rec from A Resident in Mysore No Pol 555. Dt Rec 25th April 06

~~Copy forwarded above~~

Requests that the above proposal of the Durbar may be forwarded to the Govt of Bombay and that if they are in favour of it, he will request them to issue necessary instructions to their akkarai farms, similar to those contained in paras 2 & 3 of note no 361. Dt 31st Jan 06 issued by the Govt of Madras

Attended to K.S 21/4/06.

Recd 21/4

3 from Rec from Resident No 4588. Dt 13th April 06

Intimates that as the frontiers of the Bombay Presidency runs with the

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Memorial from Headmen of villages on the south of the Kanara & Dharwar districts &c as it is alleged that there is sufficient no of babul trees in each side of the frontier the Govt. of Bombay are of opinion that both sides on either side are not preserved in consequence & that the proposed arrangements will not be of any benefit to the Dharwar or the Kanara Govt Also states that if the Dharwar forests the (vi)sual the Govt. of Bombay will be prepared to examine it further

Submitted with a draft for. reference Copy of the above to the Forest Commr & enquiring if the matter is to be pressed & if so on what grounds

Office 16 The circumstances

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with regard to the village on the border between the State and the Bombay and the Madras Presidencies. In the first place such frontier in respect of the Bombay Presidency extends over a small area mainly passing through forests and other generally inaccessible tracts in the Madras parts of the State. From the nature of the locality the numbering of the persons situated there will must be few and no serious inconvenience to the supply of toddy is however likely to be caused by numerous unauthorised persons crossing the frontier. In the case of the Madras Presidency however these points of contact are numerous & to be found in every part of the State and therefore under these there is some regulation arrangement in the Madras existing for the border supply of toddy & shops in other parts

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by allowing such [illegible] to keep their [illegible] on either side under certain conditions and there is likely to be a great deal of smuggling and a proper watch is the only [illegible] possible. The [illegible] cannot however [illegible] again be consulted

Submitted for [illegible]
15/8/06

Approved.
15/8/06

2. It is worth while pointing out more important features in the case of the Madras trade and communication between Local Ports.

4 Sept

3. Submit also to Govt. The Govt. may like to write to H.H. the [illegible] addressing the Residency.

5/9/06

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5/9/06

Dewan's note

4. The Excise Comm. may be consulted as proposed. After receipt of his reply, further action to be taken in the matter may be considered & the file submitted to H.H.

S.V.
6/9/06

5. [illegible]

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To: The Excise Commissioner

No-H-20188-10-9-06

Forwards copy of S.O. and enquires if the matter is likely shall proceed or what grounds.

5 From the Excise Comr
No 3036/D 2819/10

Explains that there is necessity for removing the Boulder Ground to give us about 1000 date trees from the Road which leads from Kodoli to about 18 miles on the Frontier situated in Shirkarpur Taluka of the Amreli District

2. The Boulder Ground cannot be prepared without the proposed removal of date trees between the two Grounds on the grounds that:-

1) there is a sufficient number of Wadi... trees on either side of the Frontier,

2) the Frontier being a Road there is no difficulty in guarding

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[illegible] proposed arrangement [illegible] benefit to the Revenue of the Govt. of Bombay.

3) Mr. Govt. however promised to examine the question further if the Revenue pressed it further

4) In the letter under Revl Hon'ble Commr has asked to show the reasons for preferring the matter with the Bombay Govt. on the following grounds

1) Mysore has not sufficient number of date trees to reserve the fronten shops & there are therefore worked with indifference

2) Owing to the insufficient supply of toddy the Lambanis who have settled & become in these parts have recourse to illicit distillation & are

5 The Hon'ble Commr does not

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Secure to ensure the smuggling of
Coal from the Bombay Presidency
there a large number of trees
exist there within a zone of
10 miles from the frontier line
the limits that none of such trees
shall be cut down within the
Lambanies to allow open
approach and that between such lines
of the frontier will next down all
distillation of arrack. The object
that the Bombay may well preserve
the tree cover on Bombay trees in favour
of that Govt. and that date planted
may be started on the frontier.

2 It may however be
inferred from paras 5 & 6 of
the letter under disposal that
would of safe the insufficient
supply of toddy as not the main
cause for illicit distillation
of arrack by the Lambanies
settled on the frontier

27 The Excise Comr also
represents moderately that
the existing staff is insufficient
maintained

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General and Revenue
Secretariat.

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Pul-Dowri illicit distillation
Barrack and the smuggling
of Ganja from Hyderabad
across the frontier at Kanihan
the Nizam's territory
hood. Beyond the usual
ment of the case there
is nothing else to show
appeals to be worthwhile
his statement by persons
Hyd-Ganja is smuggled from
Hyderabad. He requires a
separate detective staff to
pul-Dowri the above crimes
does required on two points:-
(1) Names of Bombay
Residency for frontier duty
reserving the Bill for
of that year if necessary
(2) Organisation of a detective
staff
Held for orders
Sd 5/6
25/11/06
5.12.06
5/12/06 (1) This report was called for
on the 16th Sept 06 and
fully four years thereafter

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we have received it

(2) The Excise Comm^r's proposal seems to be worthy of acceptance. The existence of unrestricted communication along the Bombay frontier seems to be a fact and it is desirable that all inducements to it should be removed. This can only be done by supplying the Lambanis with enough toddy and for this we obtain the date trees which are not to be found outside our side of the frontier.

(3) The Excise Comm^r suggests that as we have nothing to give in return to the Bombay Govt, we may offer to forego the tree tax on trees that may be required by our licensees. This comes to about Rs 4500/- as 1500 trees are said to be required by our shopkeepers. It may be considered whether we may make the offer now. In their last communication to Bombay Govt have stated that if the Durbar knows the matter they would further examine it

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(4) Ganja yields a very small revenue to the State and is not very popular among the people of this province. Nor does the Police Commr's letter tell us to what extent smuggling from Hyderabad is going on. No action seems to be called for in this respect.

(5) The question of arranging an Special detective staff was considered by govt last year. The file is herewith.

V/Price Bombay/Mad file 17 Flag D.
3/12/40

3/12/40 SA

Let 7 Please draft a reply to Resr asking the Bombay govt to be moved. There is no use in urging mutual benefit as the benefits more a less allows. We may base our request on the convenience that will be afforded thus & the small inconvenience that will be caused to Bombay. There have so many trees uprooted

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SA
21/12/40

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Secretariat.

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Draft tabled
hrs 83
28/1/11
24/1/11
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(1) Draft has been approved.

(2) Nothing is stated about our preparedness to join in the two last? Perhaps we may thought fit to do so.

2/2/11

See? Please put the draft as revised.

24/2/11

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Fair draft tabled
hrs 83
28/2/11
28/2/11

See?

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GPB—55,000—27-4-09

G. R. S. 12]
General and Revenue Secretariat

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35 The draft may be approved.

The Bombay Govt. has not ~~raised~~ urged that it should receive the tree tax for the trees cabled for on shore & is not perhaps likely to make such a claim. ~~The Govt. has therefore kept silent about it.~~

If such a claim is raised it will be open to us to bargain with us but we need not accept such a bargain except as a last resource.

Sir H. Dewan

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SB
6/3/11

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DRAFT may be approved.

An alternative arrangement would be the payment of tree rents to the Bombay Govt. in addition to the tree tax.

Law Member 6/3/11

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Shops opened and given out on very small rentals to retail sellers / manufacturers of toddy supply from the pointers — Of the Government Inspectors / Distillers Servants &c &c &c

Re - Letter 14th May 4

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Please note whether Bombay rules permit of export of toddy from Bombay to this province -

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18/F/7
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MSi

Section 10 of the Bombay Abkari Act runs as follows:-

'10 No liquor, hemp, or intoxicating drug shall be exported by land or by sea from any part of the Presidency of Bombay unless -

(a) it has been lawfully imported by sea into any port in the said Presidency and is exported accompanied by a transport pass or pass in the prescribed form or

b) Country liquor is exported on payment of the duty leviable thereon

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General and Revenue
Secretariat.

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which it is liable, under any
law for the time being in
force for its transhipment
or re-exportation: or
(b) such export is permitted by
the Power next hereinafter con-
ferred: subject nevertheless
to the Collector may
from time to time
(c) permit the export of
liquor, bhang or intoxicating
drugs or of any kind of liquor,
bhang or intoxicating drugs
on payment of the duty, if any
to which the same is liable
under this Act and on such
other terms as he thinks fit; or
(d) cancel such permission."

In the term "liquor" includes
both the Collector may
when a Govt may permit
exhibited to export to such
person terms

[illegible]

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Secretariat.

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Please print draft

Draft printed. The words "if necessary" are added at the end for approval of the

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approved

8/6/11

Issue

CSB

10/6/11

To the Excise Comr

No. 7166 dated 20.6.11

States that the toddy shops

are of the frontier especially those in Khittam

& Sarabetta which have been closed towards low

shops should remain closed until such time as

(1) A. 3386

S.K. 13 Jan 08

No 3495-4 Rev. OFFICE OF THE EXCISE COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE

DATED BANGALORE, 15th February 1906.

From

P.na. Purnaiya Esquire B.A.

Excise Commissioner in Mysore.

To

B. K. Venkata Varadiengar Esquire

Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments.

Sir,

11 April 17-2-06

When the Excise committee was in Bangalore I took occasion with the permission of the President Sir James Monson to explain to the Honorable R. A. Lamb Abkari Commissioner of Bombay who was a member of the committee the arrangement which had been made with the Government of Madras for exchange of toddy trees mutually so as to facilitate supplies to frontier shops in either Territories with the object of making a similar arrangement on the Bombay Frontier of

Upore. I have reason to believe that by providing a more adequate supply of date toddy to our frontier shops, the illicit distillation of arrack will greatly diminish in the frontier Taluks of Shimoga District as it is the Lambani who greatly resorts to this illegal practice, and he is more partial to toddy when he can get it for the reason that it is cheaper than arrack and the present retail of arrack at two annas per dram is now felt by him as high on account of want of labour and low wages. The Honorable Mr. Lamb observed that he saw no difficulty in the way and I understood that he would view the proposal favourably when it was formally made. I enclose the Notification of Madras Government No 361 dated 31st July 1877 on the subject and the corresponding notification

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issued by us. I beg therefore that the matter may be kindly taken up by Government and orders of the Bombay Government obtained in the matte

2 I also enclose a draft of notification which if issued by the Government of Bombay will meet the purpose in view.

3 Copy of correspondence as mentioned in

1. Secretary's no 629 / Ex 29 dated 16th July 1897 with its enclosures and do— no 3290 / Ex 122 dated 26th September 1897 with its enclosures. noted is also submitted for reference

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

Excise Commissioner.

1905--1906.

From P. N. Purnaiya Esq. B.A.

Excise Commissioner,

in Mysore.

To B. K. Venkata Varadiengar Esq

Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments.

Dated 15 February 1906.

Dispatched

Received

No. 395

Enclosure No. 7

SUBJECT.

Proposing that an arrangement may be made with the Government of Bombay for exchange of toddy trees mutually so as to facilitate supply to frontier shops in the Bombay Presidency and the Mysore State

Madras Government Notification No. 361 dated 31st July 1897.

Under section 24 of the Madras Abkari Act. 1886. and in exercise of all other powers enabling him in this behalf His Excellen the Governor in Council is pleased to prescribe the following rules for the issue, &c., of licenses under section 24 of the said Act for the tapping of toddy-producing trees and for the drawing of toddy therefrom to have effect in the following local areas from the 1st Day of October 1897:-

(1) The whole of the ordinary tracts of the Ganjam, Vizaga--patam and Godaveri Districts and the following villages in the Agency tracts of the last two Districts:--

2. APlications for the grant of tree-tapping licenses must be made in the prescribed form to the Inspector of the Salt, Abkari and Customs Department in charge of the Circle. Forms may be obtained from the Salt, Abkari and Customs Inspectors and from all Thasildars and Deputy Thasildars. They must bear a courtfee stamp of one anna except in the case of applications made by shop-keepers, and tapper and must contain the certificate of a Treasury, Sub Treasury or Treasury Officer that the fees (or the first instalment thereof, the case may be) due on account of the trees which it is desire tap have been paid. In the town of Madras such fees or instalment thereof should be tendered with the application. Mysore renters and Shop-keepers applying for trees in ~~the~~ British territory shall pay the treetax into the Mysore Amildar's Treasury and shall present before the British Thasildar or Deputy Thasildar concerned along with the application in form v. s. o, the receipt with the Amildar's certificate at the foot to the effect that the applicant is a perso entitled to take out a tree-tapping license in Mysore. The number of trees to be

e licensed will be calculated at the higher rate of tree-tax in 10
force on either side of the frontier if the rate is not the same on
both sides.

pplications for tree-tapping licenses in the South Canara district should be countersigned by the owner or the trees intended to be marked in token of his consent.

3. Toddy shopkeepers in tracts adjoining the Mysore territory will also be allowed to tap trees in Mysore for the supply of toddy to their shops on payment of the whole of the tree-tax in one instalment into British Treasuries and subject to such restrictions regarding permits, &c., as may be prescribed in this behalf. The rate of tree tax to be paid in such cases will invariably be the higher rate in force on either side of the frontier if the rate is not the same on both sides.

4. The Collector may also empower heads of villges to receive such fees and to grant receipts therefor, which must be produced with the application form to the Inspector.

5. Persons applying for the issue of licences will be responsible to Government for all sums payable as tree-tax on account of the trees licensed to be tapped.

6. On receipt of an application, the Inspector will at once take steps for the marking of the trees by an officer superior in rank to a petty officer and for the issue of the license. Applicants for trees shall point out ~~[illegible]~~ to the marking officer, when required by the latter to do so, the trees applied for by them. Should they fail to do so after reasonable notice the fees paid by them shall be liable to be forfeited at the Collectors discretion.

7. Collectors may, subject to the orders of the Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue, from time to time prescribe the minimum number to be entered in a single application. They may also direct that the trees situated in one village only shall be included in an application.

8. No trees shall be tapped, nor shall toddy be drawn from any toddy tree, nor shall any pot be attached to any toddy tree, untill the trees has been marked by the proper officer. But the preparation of the spathes for the drawing of toddy is permitted as soon as the fee (or the first instalment thereof, as the case may be) has been paid, a

a, receipt has been obtained and the application in the prescrib form has been delivered to the Inspector; or when the exclusive privilege of manufacturing and supplying toddy by wholesale and of selling the same by retail has been granted on written authority obtained by the tapper from the grantee, provided that such written authority shall not be so granted before an application for the issue of a license in the name of the tapper has been delivered to the Inspector.

9. For palmyra and date trees in the Presidency and for Dadasal(Arenga wightii) trees in South Canara. tree-tapping licenses shall be annual, that is, in force from 1st October or any subsequent date to the 30th September immediately, following and for cocoanut and sago trees, they shall be half-yearly, that is, in force from 1st October or any subsequent date to the 31st March immediately following, and from 1st April or any subsequent date to the 30th September immediately following.

10. The following shall be the fees payable on account of each tree for the tapping of which a license is applied for. No fee will, however, be levied from the contract supplier of the Malabar district referred to in clause(b), rule1supra, on account of trees for distillery use which will be marked tax free:-

Rates of tree tax per tree

Kind of trees	In the South Canara and Anantapur District.	In the Madras (Town) circle	In the Godavari, Kistna, Nellore, Chingleput (except the Saidapet taluk included in the Madras Town circle) South Arcot, Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Madura, Tinnevelly and Salem districts and the North Arcot district except the Palmaner taluk and the Punganuru and Kanginedi divisions and the Coimbatore district except the Kollegal taluk and the Jafarabad firka of the Satyamangalam taluk.	In the other districts where the tree tax system is in force	For what period
1	2	3	4	5	6
Cocoanut palms	Rs. A. P. 1-0-0	Rs. A. P. 3-12-0	Rs. A. P. 2-4-0	Rs. A. P. 1-8-0	For each half year as defined in rule 9 above.
Sago palms	2-0-0	5-10-0	4-8-0	3-0-0	
Palmyra or date palms	1-0-0	2-8-0	1-8-0	1-0-0	For the whole year as defined in rule 9 above.
Dadasal (Arenga wightii)	0-8-0				

11 The fees payable on account of any licenses issued under these rules shall be payable in the following instalments unless the Commissioner of Salt Abkari and Separate Revenue shall otherwise direct. Provided that if the exclusive privilege of manufacturing and supplying toddy by wholesale and of selling the same by retail shall have been granted to any person under the orders of Government the instalments by which such fees shall be payable shall be regulated by the conditions of such grant:—

Period within which the license is applied for	Proportion of the tax to be paid at the time of application for license	Instalments by which the remainder is to be paid.
In the case of half yearly fees		
Between 1st October and 31st December and 1st April and 30th June in any year	One half	The other half to be paid in the following months of February and July respectively
Between 1st January and 31st March and 1st July and 30th September in any year	The whole	None
In the case of annual fees		
Between 1st October and 31st December in any year	One-half	The other half to be paid in the following month of February
Between 1st January to 30th April in any year	Do	The other half to be paid in the second month following the application for license
Between 1st May to 30th September in any year	The whole	None.

12. Every instalment of tree-tax shall be paid on the first day of the month in which it falls due.

13. For the convenience of applicants, applications will be received, trees will be marked, and licenses will be issued during the fifteen days immediately preceding any annual of half-yearly period as defined in rule 9 to take effect from the commencement of such period, provided that no toddy shall be drawn except during the currency of such license.

14. All toddy drawn under the tree-tapping licenses granted in accordance with these rules shall, as soon as the pots containing it are removed from the trees, be immediately conveyed direct to a distillery, still or a livensed toddy shop under a general transport permit, which will be granted gratis by the Inspector. In the South canara district when a licensee desires to change the shop, still or distillery to which his toddy is to be taken, the permit will be amended on application and on prepayment of two annas in addition to the court-fee stamp of the value of one anna to be fixed to the application. No toddy drawn under these rules shall be sold otherwise than to licensed distillers, still area renters or shopkeepers except at a regularly licensed shop. Tree-foot sales or sales in the open are absolutely prohibited.

15. Between sunset and sunrise no toddy shall be kept by any person holding a license under these rules in the garden or field on which stand the trees which he is licensed to tap. except the freshly-drawn toddy contained in the pots attached to the spathes of the trees which he is licensed to tap; provided that the Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and separate may on sufficient cause being shown relax the restriction in any local area.

(Sig.) J. Stokes
Acting Secretary to Govt.

"Copy"

H Mohammanna
for Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

S.R.O. 1897-1

R E V E N U E.

No. 868-EX. 37, dated 20th July 1897.

Under section 20 of the Excise Act XXII of 1881 as amended by Act VI of 1885 and introduced into Mysore by Regulation III of 1885. and in exercise of all other powers conferred by section 55 of the said Act. the Government of Mysore are pleased to prescribe the following Rules for the issue, &c., of licenses under section 5 of the said Act, for the tapping of toddy-producing trees and for the drawing of toddy therefrom, to have effect throughout the Mysore Province from the 1st day of July 1897.

1. Tree-tapping licenses in the prescribed form shall be issued on the application--

(a). of licensed toddy vend farmers;

(b). of licensed toddy shop-keepers in alienated villages or other localities in which toddy shops are sold by auction and licensed separately; and

(c). of tree-owners in coffee estates, hittals and kans in the malnad for the number of trees fixed by the Excise Commissioner for the drawing of toddy required for bona fide domestic consumption, but not for sale.

The licenses may be issued in the name of the applicant himself or of his nominees.

2. Applications for thegrant of tree-tapping licenses must be made in the prescribed form, to the Excise Supervisor of the Range concerned. Forms may be obtained from him or the Inspectors under him. They must bear a court fee stamp of one anna.

3. Applications for tree-tapping licenses, for trees in occupied or alienated lands, should be countersigned by the owner of the trees intended to be marked in token of his consent

4. Persons applying for the issue of licenses will be responsible to Government for all sums payable as tree-tax on

account

account of the trees licensed therein to be tapped

5. On receipt of an application the Supervisor will at once take steps for the marking of the trees by an officer superior in rank to an Examiner and for the timely issue of the license.

6. Deputy Commissioner's may, subject to the orders of the Excise Commissioner, from time to time, prescribe the minimum number of trees for which licenses will be granted and the minimum number to be entered in a single application. They may also direct that the trees situated in one village only shall be included in an application.

7. No trees shall be tapped, nor shall toddy be drawn from any toddy tree, nor shall any pot be attached to any toddy tree, until the tree has been marked by the proper officer. But the preparation of the spathes for the drawing of toddy is permitted as soon as the application in the prescribed form has been delivered to the Supervisor.

8. For all toddy-yielding trees, tree-tapping licenses shall be annual.

9, During 1897-98, no tree is to be tapped for toddy without a license therefor to be obtained by payment of tree-tax at the following rates:-

Tree.	Tree-tax for each tree per annum including local ~~including local~~ cess.
Date	1-2-0.
Cocoanut	2-2-0
Palmyra	1-9-6
Bagani or Sago palm	1-9-6

10. The Government reserve to themselves the right of imposing, in addition to tree-tax, a rent for every tree not belonging to private individuals tapped by a Mysore or British farmer. Such rent shall be credited to the Department of Govern-ment or the District or Municipal Funds entitled thereto.

11. The licensees of vend farms will pay for 1897-98 the rent they have agreed to pay, the said rent being made up of

(a) the tree-tax at the above rates for toddy-yielding trees tapped by them under licenses granted by the Supervisor concerned, for the supply required for bona fide consumption at their shops, whether such trees be in Government unoccupied, or occupied land or in alienated land.

(Note:- No trees upon Government occupied land can be tapped without arrangement by the farmers with the owner, The present arrangements as regards trees on alienated land will hold good, subject of course to the levy by Government of tree-tax)

and (b), ~~shop~~ Shop rental, being the difference, if any, between the farm rent and the tree-tax for the year.

12. No tree-tax will be charged for the trees tapped or caused to be tapped by coffee planters and proprietors of "hittals" and kans in the malnad. in their patta lands, for the drawing of toddy for their bona fide domestic consumption, but not for sale. Such toddy may be utilized to make bread only for the use of the members of their family, or for their consumption but not for sale or for the use of their servants, laborers or other employees.

13. Under the arrangement which has been arrived at with the Government of Madras. the tree-tax on toddy produced by the trees in the Madras Presidency but consumed in the Mysore State. will be credited to the Mysore Government, and vice versa The rate of tree-tax to be paid in such cases will invariably be the highest in force on either side of the frontier. The following procedure shall be observed on the subject--

(1) Tree-tax on trees in the Madras Presidency for which tapping licenses are about to be taken out by Mysore shop-keepers. must be paid in one instalment to the Amildar of the Taluk concerned in the Mysore State, who will grant a receipt in the prescribed @ chellan form and certify at the foot that the applicant

applicant is a person entitled to take out tree-tapping licenses. The applicant will then make his application to British authorities in accordance with the Madras Government Tree-tapping Rules, and will obtain a Transport Permit from the Supervisor concerned in the Mysore State for the transport of the toddy drawn from the frontier to the shop or depot for which it is intended. after having complied with all require-ments of the Madras Government Rules.

(2). A shop-keeper or renter in the Madras Presidency desiring to obtain toddy from trees growing in the Mysore Territory. will pay into the Thasildar's Treasury concerned in the Madras Presidency. the tree-tax on the trees which he proposes to tap. The Thasildar after satisfying himself that the applicant is a person who is entitled to take out a tree-tapping license, will grant a receipt with this fact certified at the foot

3. The applicant will then proceed to make an application to the proper Mysore authorities in accordance with the Tree-tapping Rules in force in that State. The Mysore authorities concerned will accept the receipt and certificate as evidence that the amount mentioned has been paid, and that the applicant is a person by whom an application for a tree-tapping license may be made. It must. however. be distinctly understood that licenses may be refused at discretion in the case of trees reserved by the Excise Department for the purpose of giving them rest or for other reason considered sufficient by the officer refusing the license. The issue of licenses, marking of the trees, &c,will be effected in precisely the same manner as if the applicant were a shop-keeper in the Mysore State, the number of trees to be licensed being calculated at the higher rate of the two. whether British or Mysore, if the rate is not the same on both sides of the frontier.

(4) The Supervisor concerned in the Mysore State will

will issue Transport Permits to the frontier in the usual way, care being taken, as far as possible, to prescribe a route which does not involve the toddy approaching near any Mysore toddy shops. The latter should not be located along any of the main routes by which toddy is exported to the Madras Presidency, if it can be avoided: and the attention of the Deputy Commissioner concerned should be invited to the desirability of removing adjacent shops to a distance. It will be for the British Officer to grant permits from the frontier on to the desination of the toddy.

(5) Transport Permits, for toddy exported by rail, will be given in batches of seven or any other requisite number, one for each day, to allow of a Transport Permit being invariably attached to the Way bill.

14. In the tree-tapping licenses granted on the appli British nters and shop-keepers, the following rule nserted:--

" All toddy drawn by the licensee shall, as soon as the pots containing it are removed from the trees, be immediately conveyed direct across the frontier into the Madras Presidency, under a General Transport Permit granted by the Deputy Commissioner of the District, or other duly authorised officer or person. Transfers of toddy, even by way of gift, between the time of drawing and crossing the frontier, and tree-foot sales or sales in the open, or the disposal of the toddy in any other manner unauthorised by the rules in force, are strictly prohibited."

15. Licenses to British shop-keepers to tap trees in the Mysore State are granted in consideration of the payment of tree-tax to the British Government, and are liable to cancellation at its request, or that of any officer duly empowered by it in this behalf.

16. Toddy drawn from British trees may be allowed to pass across Mysore Territory on permits granted by British officials

officials, provided they are countersigned by the Supervisor of the Range in Mysore Territory through which the toddy is being transported.

17. Every person to whom a tapping license is granted for the manufacture of toddy either for local consumption or for export to British Territory shall observe the following rules in tapping date trees:--

(1) Trees tapped one year shall not be tapped the next year.

(2) Trees shall not be overtapped or overworked.

(3) In no date tree shall the initial incision be made at any point less than five feet from the ground except in places where the trees are stunted in growth, in which case an exception may be made by the Deputy Commissioner. the age of the trees being taken into consideration after due enquiry.

(4) No datetree shall be cut to a greater depth than one-third of its diameter.

(5) Every fresh incision shall not be less than one foot above the last incision, except in localities where the trees are stunted in growth, in which case an exception may be made by the Deputy Commissioner.

6) The licensee or his employer will be liable to pay a fine of one rupee for each tree which may die from over-tapping or careless tapping either during the lease or within six months after its expiration.

By Order.

C. Srinivasiengar,

Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev.

Departments.

"Copy
R. Gopalaswami
Asst. Com'r"

S.R. 1372-05-1 This is to be published in the Bombay Government Gazette.

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Notification

Under Section 20 of the Bombay Abkari Act V of 1878 as amended by Act V of 1901 and in exercise of all other powers enabling him in this behalf His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to prescribe the following Rules for the issue &c of licenses under Sections 14 of the said Act for the tapping of toddy producing trees and for the drawing of toddy therefrom

to have effect from

Mysore Renters and shop-

keepers applying for trees in

British Territory shall pay the

treetax into the Mysore Amildar's

or Deputy Amildar's Treasury

and shall present before the

British Tahasildar or Deputy

Tahasildar Concerned along

with the application in Form

T.T.6 the receipt with the

Amildar's or Deputy Amildar's

Certificate at the foot to

the effect that the applicant

is a person entitled to take

out a tree-tapping license

in Mysore. The Number of

trees to be licensed will be calculated at the higher rate of treetax in force on either side of the frontier if the rate is not the same on both sides

2 Toddy Shop-Keepers in tracts adjoining the Mysore Territory will also be allowed to tap trees in Mysore for the supply of toddy to their Shops on payment of the whole of the treetax in one instalment into British Treasuries and subject to such restrictions regarding permits &c. as may be prescribed in

this behalf. The rate of treetax to be paid in such cases will invariably be the higher rate in force on either side of the frontier if the rate is not the same on both sides.

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No. 640

Ex 28

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Office of the Dewan of Mysore

Dated Bangalore 16th July 1897

From

The Secretary to the Government

of Mysore

To

The First Assistant to the Resident

in Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter no 2528 dated 10th June 1897 I am directed to state that the Durbar agree to the arrangements proposed by the Madras Government with regard to the issue of licenses for tapping toddy in either territory on the application of farmers in the other and that instructions to the Excise Officers of the Durbar have been issued accordingly on the same lines as

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as are proposed to be issued in Mysore. A copy of these instructions is enclosed for information

2. I am at the same time to add that the Durbar reserve to themselves the right to impose in addition to the tax a rent for the use of trees belonging to them the same when imposed being payable to the Mysore Government by British and Mysore farmers alike also that the arrangements now made will not of course prevent the reservation of trees in any specified area in Mysore or in British India with a view to afford rest thereto or for other sufficient reason and that the mere payment of the tax into a British or Mysore treasury will not entitle the applicant to tapping licenses for trees so reserved

No 648
Ex 28

Office of the Dewan of Mysore

Dated, Bangalore, 16th July 1897.

From

The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore

To

The First Assistant to the Resident
in Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter no 2528 dated 10th June 1897, I am directed to state that the Durbar agree to the arrangements proposed by the Madras Government with regard to the issue of licenses for tapping trees in either Territory on the application of farmers in the other and that instructions to the Excise Officers of the Durbar have been issued accordingly on the same lines as

reserved

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I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(Sd) L. Sreenivasaiengar

Secretary.

Enc. 1.

1 Copy forwarded to the Swiss Commissioner for information.

By Order

(Sd) L. Sreenivasaiengar

Secretary

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Chamaraja

Excise Commissioner

in Mysore

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This is an extract from our letter of the 13.7.1871 to Mysore Govt.

13. Under the arrangement which has been arrived at with the Government of ——— the heetas on toddy produced by the trees in the Madras Presidency but consumed in the Mysore State will be credited to the Mysore Government and Vice Versa the rate of heetas to be paid in such cases will invariably be the highest in force on either side of the frontier. The following procedure shall be observed on the system.

(1). Heetas on trees in the Madras Presidency for which tapping licenses are wanted to be taken out by Mysore Shop-Keepers must be paid in one instalment to the Amildar of the Taluk concerned in the Mysore State who will grant a receipt in the prescribed Khellam form and certify at the foot thereof

the applicant is a person entitled to take out
toddytapping licenses. The applicant will then
make his application to British authorities
in accordance with the Madras Government
Toddytapping Rules and will obtain a transport
permit from the Supervisor Concerned in
the Mysore State for the transport of the
toddy drawn from the frontier to the shop
or depot for which it is intended after
having complied with all requirements
of the Madras Government Rules.

(2) A shopkeeper or renter in the Madras
Presidency desiring to obtain toddy from
trees growing in the Mysore Territory will
pay into the Tahasildar's Treasury Concerned
in the Madras Presidency, the toddy on the
trees which he proposes to tap. The Tahsildar

after satisfactory enquiry that the applicant is a person who is entitled to take out a tea-taster's license will grant a receipt with this taster certified at the foot

(3) The applicant will then proceed to make an application to his proper excise authorities in accordance with the undermentioned rules in force in that state. The excise authorities concerned will accept the receipt and certificate as evidence that the amount mentioned has been paid, and that the applicant is a person by whom an application for a tea-taster's license may be made. It must however be distinctly understood that licenses may be refused at discretion in the case as has been reserved by the Excise Department for the purpose of freeing them first or for other reasons considered

considered sufficient by the officer refusing the licenses. The issue of licenses, marking of the trees, &c will be effected in precisely the same manner as if the applicant were a shopkeeper in the Mysore State, the number of trees to be licensed being calculated at the higher rate of the two, whether British or Mysore, if the rate is not the same on both sides of the frontier.

(4). The Supervisor Concerned in the Mysore State will issue transport permits to the frontier in the usual way, care being taken as far as possible to prescribe a route which does not involve the toddy approaching any Mysore toddy shops. The latter should not be located along any of the main routes by which toddy is exported to the Madras Presidency if it can be

avoided and the attention of the Deputy Commissioner concerned should be invited to the desirability of removing adjacent shops to a distance. It will be for the British Officer to grant permits from the frontier on to the destination of the teddy

(5) Transit permit for teddy exhibited by rail will be given in batches of seven or one other requisite number one for each day to allow of a transport permit being invariably attached to the way-bill

14 In the tree lopping licenses granted on the application of British renters and Shikarees the following rule will be inserted

"All teddy drawn by the licensee shall as soon as the pots containing it are removed from the nets be immediately

conveyed direct across the frontier into the Madras Presidency under a general transport permit granted by the Deputy Commissioner of the District, or other duly authorized officer or person. Transfers of toddy, even by way of gift, between the time of drawing and crossing the frontier, and tree-foot sales or sales in the open, or the disposal of the toddy in any other manner unauthorized by the rules in force are strictly prohibited."

15. Licenses to British Shopkeepers to tap trees in the Mysore State are granted in consideration of the payment of the tax to the British Government, and are liable to cancellation at its request, or that of any officer duly empowered by it in this behalf.

(6) Toddy drawn from 'British' trees may be allowed to pass across more Territory on permits granted by British Officers provided they are countersigned by the Supervisor of the Range in whose territory through which the toddy is being exported

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(Sd) L. Anantasamibar

for Secretary.

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R. Gohalleraja

for excise Commissioner

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No 8297
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Office of the Dewan of Mysore

Dated 26th September 1897

From

The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore
General and Revenue Department

To

The First Assistant to the Resident
in Mysore

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters Nos 3582 and 3100 dated the 27th August 1897 and 13th September 1897 respectively and in reply, to state that the Durbar agree (1) to the stipulation made by the Government of India that no mutual obligation should be held to exist which would control the permanent maintenance of the arrangements now made with regard to the issue of licenses for tapping toddy

tees in the frontier Talukks of Mysore and of the Madras Presidency and (2) to the proposal of the Madras Government that three months notice should be given in case either Government wish to terminate the arrangements now arrived at.

2. As the toddy leases in the Mysore State have effect from the 1st July to 30th June I am to request the favor of the Madras Government being moved to issue orders to the Abkari Officers of that Government to issue licenses to the Mysore lessees from 1st July to 30th June of each year so as to be in operation during the currency of the lease

I have &c.

(Sd) C. Sreenivasrengar
Secretary.

No 3290 Enc. 2 dated 26th September 1897.
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Copy forwarded to the Excise

Commissioner in Mysore with Diary of the First Assistant Resident's letters nos 2584 dated 3.7.85 dated 27th August and 13th September 1897. forwarded with reference his No 1170/54 dated 29 July 1897.

By order

(Sd) L. Anantasami Rao

Secretary.

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for Chief Commissioner

in Mysore

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No 3584

From

The First Assistant to the Resident
in Mysore

To

The Dewan of Mysore

Dated Bangalore 27 August 1897.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter no 678 — Sr 28 dated the 16 ultimo and to state that the Government of Madras have been informed that the Durbar agree to the arrangements disclosed by that Government with regard to the issue of licenses for tapping toddy trees in either territory on the allocation of farmers in the other subject to the conditions specified in para 2 of your letter

2. The Government of India to whom it was necessary to refer for instructions, have

stipulated that no mutual obligation should be held to exist which would compel either party to permanently maintain the arrangements, and the Madras Government have been informed accordingly. The Resident presumes that the Durbar will have no objection to this stipulation

I have &c
(sd) K. D. Erskine, Captain
First assistant Resident

No 3785

Dated, Bangalore, 13th September 1897.

In continuation of my letter no 3584 dated the 27th ultimo relative to the arrangement under which licenses will be issued for tapping toddy trees in either Madras or Mysore Territory on the application of farmers in the other, I am directed to inform you that the Government of Madras accept the additional conditions specified in Para 2

of your letter no 678—Ex 28 of the 16th Inst

last

2. Reference to para 2 of this office letter cited above the Madras Government are that three months notice be given to the should the Durbar wish to terminate the present arrangement as it would not possible to make sufficient arrangemen for guarding the frontier in Similar notice will be given Durb if the Madras Government wish to withdraw from the arrangement now arrived at.

I have &c

(Sd) K D. Erskine Captain
First assistant Resident

Copies

(Sd) A. Anantasami Rao
Secretary.

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Agl officiating
Chief Secretary to Government
in Mysore

R 3100-84 (2)
Revised draft.

To

The First Assistant to the
Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore

Pol No. 855

Dated 20. 4. 06

Sir,

I am directed to invite refer-ence to the correspondence, which ended with my letter, No. 3389/Ex. 121 dated the 26th September 1897. relating to the arrangement, under which the toddy licensees of the Madras Presidency and of the Mysore State draw toddy along the frontier limits, from the trees situated in either territory, on payment of the usual tax to the Govt. whose licensees they are. A similar arrangement with the Government of Bombay appears to the Durbar would be conducive to the interests of both Governments, as besides the facility it affords to the frontier shops of both Governments in drawing their supplies of toddy from

~~the~~ groves most convenient to them in either territory, it enables ~~both the Governments~~ to considerably reduce the detective staff maintained by them on their frontiers and minimise smuggling.

2. Under the present arrangement with the Government of Madras, shop-keepers and renters in either territory are permitted to draw toddy from the trees belonging to the other territory on pay-ment of a tree tax to the Government whose licensees they are. The tree tax to be so paid is, in either case, the higher of the two rates on the fron-tiers, ~~if~~ the rate is not the same in both. The Durbar have, however, reserved to themselves the right to impose, in addition to the said tree tax, a rent for the use of the trees belonging to them, ~~the same when imposed being pay-able to the Mysore Government by the British and the Mysore farmers alike.~~

This arrangement does not prevent ~~either~~ party thereto from reserving their ~~a~~

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trees in specified areas; nor does it create any mutual obligation to maintain it permanently. Each Government is fully at liberty to have the arrangement terminated at three months notice, so as to enable the other Government to take the necessary steps to guard against smuggling. As toddy leases in the Mysore State have effect from the 1st of July to the 30th of June following, the licenses issued by the Madras Government are made operative for the said period.

3. I am to request you to kindly move the Hon'ble the Resident to forward the proposal of the Durbar to the Bombay Government and, if they are in favor of it, ~~they may be~~ kindly requested to issue the necessary instructions to their Abkari Officers, similar to those contained in paras 2 & 3 of the Notification No.361 dated the 31st July 1897. issued by the Government of Madras. (Vide Fort St. George Gazette, page 971

dated the 3rd August 1897

I have &c,.

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Secretary.

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No. 4588

FROM

P. L. Moore Esquire, I. C. S.,
OFFICIATING ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE

To

The Dewan of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 13th August 1906.

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SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Venkatavaradiengar's letter Pol No.855 dated the 25th April 1906, in which proposals were made for the drawing of toddy by toddy licensees of the Mysore State and of the Bombay Presidency from trees situated on frontier limits.

2. The frontier of the Bombay Presidency runs with that of Mysore for a short distance only in the South of the Kanara and Dharwar districts, and information received leads the Bombay Government to believe that the people on either side are in no way inconvenienced. as there is a sufficient number of palm trees on each sid of the frontier. and the frontier being so short, it is stated that great difficulty is experienced in guarding it properly.

3. In these circumstances the Governor of Bombay i Council is inclined to think that the proposed arrangements will not result in material benefit to the Durbar or the Government of Bombay or to the subjects of either of the two Governments. If, however, the Durbar notwithstanding the above considerations desire to press the proposal, the Government of Bombay will be prepared to examine it further.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Offg:First Assistant Resident

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Diary No. of letter replied to 699

No. H 2010

10 Septr 06

General and Revenue Secretariat

To The Resce Comp
in Mysore

J. R.

Date 10 Octobr 1906

Date of issue

Signed by W. Wilberforce

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 3958 dtd 15th Feb. 06 proposing the mutual exchange of certain trees on the Bombay Goa along the Frontier line, I am to forward herewith copy of letter No 4588 dt 13th Sept. last from the Resident in Mysore that the Govt. of

SUBJECT.

Bombay are of opinion that the proposed arrangements will not result in any material benefit to the Bombay or the Govt of Bombay or to the subjects of either of the two Governments and to enquire if the matter has to be pressed further and if so on what ground.

Received

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No. 3034

OFFICE OF THE EXCISE COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE

Bangalore, dated 20th September 1910.

From

H. H. Sparkes, Esquire,

To

C. S. Balasundram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Offg: *Secretary to the Government of*
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

SIR,

With reference to Government letter No. Fl. 2018/S.R.137-05 dated 10-9-1906, giving cover to a letter from the First Assistant to the Resident dated 13-8-1906. stating that the Government of Bombay is of opinion that the proposed arrangements will not materia benefit the Bombay Government or the Durbar but that if the Durbar wish to press the matter the Government of Bombay will be prepared to examine it further. I have the honor to inform Government that after Mr. Purnaiya had submitted his proposals to Government, he deputed Mr. Davy, Deputy Commissioner, Excise Department to tour c this part of the country to submit his proposals: Mr. Davy conse -quently did so and submitted his report to the Excise Commissione but no advantage appears to have been taken of this report as th matter was then before Government. As this report comprises a good deal of valuable information, I beg to submit a copy of the same for information.

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From

H. H. Sparkes Esqre
Excise Commissioner in Mysore.

To

C. S. Balasundram Iyer Esqre B.A
Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Genl. and Rev. Depts.

Dated 28th September '10

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General No. 3036

Enclosure No. 5

SUBJECT.

In the matter of the exchan
of toddy yielding trees with
the Bombay Government,
submitting that 1500 trees
are required annually from
that Government and
stating that as there is
illicit distillation of liquor
and smuggling of Ganja a
Preventive staff is required
and further framing tombu
detailed proposals if the Govt
think of taking up the matte
seriously.

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2. As I was unable to get any necessary information from District Excise Officer Shimoga District, I went up myself to intending to travel along the frontier; accordingly starting f Harihar I travelled to Malebennur, Honnali, Shikarpur and Shira -koppa and had intended to go on to Annavatti but owing to the -ency of the weather and badness of the roads I was unable to d Throughout all this line of country I find that a very large nu of Lambannies have settled, but the consumption of liquor both toddy and arrack is not what would lead one to expect and the presumption is that they largely resort to illicit distillation especially in the direction of Shiralkoppa and Annavatti.

3. Now it is a well known fact that Lambannies prefer t to arrack principally on account of its cheapness. In this co of the Province, viz, parts of Shikarpur and Sorab and in the v of Shiralkoppa we have 25 toddy shops but these are being very indifferently worked on account of the sparsity of trees and th stunted growth and small yield. On consulting the toddy contr at Shiralkoppa, I ascertained their wants as per enclosed state by which it will be seen that all they ask for is some 1500 tre annually from the Bombay Government which is a very small conce and which if supplied I have every reason to believe would to a certain extent reduce the illicit distillation. This I believ would benefit the Bombay Government as there is no doubt that a

a certain amount of this illicit liquor does find its way across the border in spite of all precautions taken. I am given to under-stand that the tree-tax including rent in the Kod taluk, Dharwar District, where we wish to take the trees, is R°.5/- per tree ~~and which includes tree rent~~, thus on 1500 trees this would only amount to R°.4500 which I think the Durbar might forego considering that we have no quid pro quo for the Bombay Government, on ~~one~~ side of the frontier. To meet these requirements the Collector of Dharwar informs me that there are some 42000 trees available as per enclosed statement.

4. On consulting with the contractors and some of the more intelligent ryots I am given to understand that date will grow if properly sown and looked after in this part of the country and I, therefore, intend making a certain number of experiments by deep ploughing small plots of one acre each and properly protecting them with fencing and if after a year's trial they are found to be succe-ful they may be extended and after a course of years we should be independent of the trees in the Dharwar territory, this, however, we could not reckon on at least under 7 years growth; but the experi-ment will be worth trying as it will probably demonstrate to the ryots the advantages of growing date in their own lands. As I have mentioned that I believe illicit distillation is rife in this part

of the country and to demonstrate this we found in a single piece of jungle close to a Lambhani Thanda and very near the frontier no less than 50 pits in which arrack had been illicitly distilled, thus showing that this is being carried on to a large extent.

5. Again on making enquiries about the country I ascertained that the Lambhanies are in the habit of purchasing jaggory from the sugar-cane fields direct to a very large extent and paying a much higher price for it than they could buy the same in the local markets there can be only one construction put upon this, viz, that they -- wish to convey it away secretly for the purpose of illicit distilla--tion. This practice goes on principally in the taluks of Davangere Chennagiri, Honalli, Shikarpur, Sorab, Shimoga and Tarikere ~~principally~~; in addition to this I find that a large amount of Ganja from Hyderabad is being smuggled across the frontier at Harihar and surrounding neighbourhood.

6. All this is not only detrimental to the Excise Revenue but opposed to all Excise Administration and to deal with it in any -- satisfactory manner we require a complete detective staff. To expec the present untrained and inadequate staff to deal with it is puerile and the few abortive attempts that have been hitherto made merely render us a laughing stock to our neighbours. Should, therefore, the Government think of taking up the matter seriously I shall

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S.R.13715-6

Office of the Deputy Excise Commissioner

in Mysore

No.26 . 1 file. Dated, Camp Shimoga, 15th September 1906.

To

The Excise Commissioner

in Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the file of papers regarding the supply of toddy for the shops of Shikarpur and Sorab Taluks from the Bombay Presidency and in compliance with your note on the Secretary's letter dated 12th September 1906, I discussed the matter -- fully with the Excise Divisional Officer, Shimoga, on the 14th Instant.

2. The Bombay Government say they believe that the people on either side are in no way inconvenienced as there is a sufficient number of Palm trees on each side of the Frontier and the Frontier being so short, it is stated that no great difficulty is experienced in guarding it properly.

3. This statement is scarcely correct as, with the exception of a few scattered date trees on occupied lands there are no date palms in the Mysore State on that frontier hence our reason for asking for help from the Bombay side.

4. It is true the frontier line is short and they on the Bombay side may have little difficulty in guarding it because we have no toddy on our frontier line to be smuggled into Bombay. The reverse, however, does not hold good. We have been obliged to close our shops on that li and the toddy drinking people must resort to the British shops for their drink. Some, who are able, go to the shops and have their drink and -- bring to their homes a supply for those who are unable to leave their -- homes and occupations.

5. Doubtless the Bombay Government are aware, we can give them no return in kind, for what we ask, hence their reason for declining to enter into an arrangement similar to that existing between Madras and Mysore.

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6. Under these circumstances they might perhaps allow us to tap toddy trees and bring toddy to our shops on our paying the tree-tax and tree-rent in force in the Districts of North-Kanara and Dharwar. Unless this be done, our shops cannot be worked and the smuggling of toddy from British territory into Mysore will continue. Our frontier on that side is doubtless short but it is practically all jungle which makes it very difficult to guard and is all in favour of illicit practices going un--detected and unpunished.

7. Attached to this is a copy of the Shimoga Excise Divisional Officer's notes which he made in my presence when discussing this ques--tion with him.

I have etc.,

(sd) W. Winicombe Davy.

Deputy Excise Commissioner,

in Mysore.

" Copy "

Excise Commissioner.

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Notes of Mr. Madadeva Rao, Excise Divisional Officer, Shimoga, on the 14th September 1906.

1. Mysore side is inconvenienced because there is not enough toddy supply in Sorab and Shikarpur Talukas.

2. On Mysore side there are no palm trees except very few -- scattered trees in occupied lands.

3. The frontier being short, it matters very little. We have no fear of Mysore toddy being smuggled into the British frontiers. On the other hand, there is every fear that toddy from British frontiers is being smuggled into our frontier.

4. For want of supply, most of the shops in the Sorab and Shikarpur side have not been sold this year and are not at all working. In consequence, our people at the bordering villages are compelled to -- resort to shops on the British frontiers.

5. In the present instance, the mutual exchange of licensing trees is not to the benefit of the Bombay Government in any way. There-fore the Bombay Government may not like the idea of allowing to ~~be~~ tap the trees on the British frontiers for the benefit of our shops.

But this arrangement of mutual exchange which has been existing for several years, between Mysore and the Madras Governments has benefitted the latter to a great extent. In consideration of this benef which the British Government derives in the Madras Presidency, our reque to tap trees on the frontiers of the Bombay Presidency on the same prin-ciple may be permitted and the request after all is not much, for, we require toddy only for a few shops (13 plus/5 = 28 in all) in Sorab and Shikarpur Talukas.

6. If this request be not granted, we will have either to close our shops once for all or we must yield to give them the tree-tax and tree-rent on the existing terms in those Districts and derive the -- supply for those shops. This will not only benefit the Bombay Govern-

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Government but will also benefit us in the shape of better shop-rental, besides being an immense boon to our toddy drinking population, who are now compelled to go a long distance from their homes leaving their avoca--tions and also to smuggle toddy to meet the requirements of those that could not conveniently resort to the shops in the British territory. The number of trees required may not probably go over 2000.

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(sd) W. Winicombe Davy.
Deputy Excise Commissioner
in Mysore.

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Excise Commissioner
in Mysore

Statement showing the number of date toddy trees situated within ten miles of the Mysore frontier, prepared as per No. 9904 of 30th April 1909 of Excise Commissioner, in Mysore

Name of Talukas.	Groves within (10) miles of the Mysore frontier.	Approximate number of trees in the groves.	Number of trees annually tapped for Bombay shops.	Trees available in excess	Remarks
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Dharwar
9th June 1909.

(sd) Illegible
for Collector of Dharwar.

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Excise Commissioner.

Statement showing the toddy

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tapping for the bottles of Sod

Serial No.	Name of shop in Sirupare Sima (Shikaripur Taluq.)	Amount of Monthly rental 1910-11.	Total number of Wells	Total number of Trees	Name of Sirupare Sima where trees are tapped in Sirupare.
1	Shirhatkoppa.	17 - -		150	Kuallenahalli Kudavalli
2	Javagatta.	7 - -		50	Kagga Koppa Shiveeshalli Gundkoppa
3	Kolagee	15		60	Bandalakki Narasapur
4	Thogarti	10		60	Yelagere Chickmagadi
5	Talgunda.	10 -		60	Agrahar Gun
6	Kuallenahalli.	10		50	Kuallenahalli Malavalli
7	Hulginkoppa.	4 - -		45	Kanakapura
8	Chickmagadi	13 - -		50	Do.
9	Bilki	8 1 -		50	Bilki Kaval
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Dated 29th Sept. 10

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200		Anekatte, Seethi Konda, Dammatti groves.	350	
50		Blickkerut grove	100	
100		Bettageri, Hamsa Chari grove.	160	
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100		Blickkerut grove	160	
50		Blickka Konathi Hiri Konathi groves	100	
50		Hamschari grove	95	
60		Hamschari, Yogee Koppa groves.	110	
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Range Forest Officer

In charge of Sirsi

Statement showing the particular
Shops in the Sorab Taluq, of trees in Dharwar Dis
of toddy to Sup

Serial No.	Name of shop in Sirsi Statement (Sorab Taluq.)	Amount of monthly rental for 1910-11.	Total number of in the Sirsi Dalit trees	Name of whose
1	Avaratti		400	
2	Samanavalli		51	
3	Kathavalli		51	
4	Jadé		51	
5	Bhowsi	62 12 -	51	
6	Gummanahalli		51	
7	Kirivala.		51	
8	Hirenagad		51	
9	Tattoor		100	
10	Chikkakoppa		51	
11	Chick Adagod		51	
12	Hire Adagod		101	
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Bangalore
29th Sept. 1910

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	200	Chickkeri Grove. Sattenahalli groves.	600.	
	24	Yankalapur Grove	75.	
	24	—do—	75.	
	24	—do—	75.	
	24	Yammiganur grove	75.	
	24	Appanpura grove	75.	
	24	Nilkanur grove	75.	
	24	—do—	75.	
	100	—do—	300	
	24	Guddada Challa pura grove	75.	
	24	—do—	75.	
	24	Kachari grove	75.	
	24	Chickkeri grove	84	
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Sorada Taluq
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Excise Commissioner
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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 30 June 11

Signed by Hiranandani

To

The Excise Commissioner
&
Advertising to the
Correspondence ending
with Govt Letter No: 303
& the 28/9/10 regarding
the proposal for the
drawing of toddy by
the toddy licensees of
the State from the trees
situated in the Bombay
Presidency, & are
directed to state

over.

SUBJECT.

that the toddy shops on this side of the frontier, especially those in Shikarpur and Sorab talukas, which have been closed for want of a good supply of toddy, may be opened and given out on small rentals to the licensees that they may arrange for toddy supply from across the frontier, if necessary.

Yours etc

for Secretary

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List of enclosures,

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